

**TAY LIAISON COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD IN THE ROYAL  
DUNKELD HOTEL  
ON TUESDAY 20 APRIL 2010.**

**ATTENDEES**

Chairman	T Black, Crianlarich Angling Club.
Vice Chairman	A B Clark, Strathmore Angling Improvement Assoc.
Recorder	A Stewart, Killin Angling Club.
Secretary/Treasurer	R Stewart, Aberfeldy Angling Club.
Members	D Taylor, Crianlarich Angling Club. H Shearer, Glen Lyon Riparian Owners D Twigg, Loch Tay Users Assoc.

**APOLOGIES**

A Ayre, J Jeffrey, G McIntosh, S Tapley.

The chairman noted that there were 6 voting members present and 4 office bearers. (The Glen Lyon representative now having the right to vote).

**MINUTES**

D Twigg stated that he did not say Killin Angling Club were due Mr Allen money, but state Mr Allen said Killin Angling Club were due him money. The minutes were amended and then adopted by A Stewart and seconded by H Shearer.

**MATTERS ARISING**

A Stewart stated that the Killin Angling Club were to hold a committee meeting on Friday 23 April 2010, and the matter concerning Mr Allen will be raised. He further emphasised that no agreement has ever existed between the club and Mr Allen. D Twigg went on to make further reference to Mr Allen and Killin Angling Club, regarding financial matters, but the chairman intervened and stated that it was not a matter for discussion by the Tay Liaison Committee, and the matter was closed.

The chairman expressed his concerns about the possible introduction of byelaws on Loch Lomond and its possible effects on Loch Tay, Loch Rannoch and Loch Tummel.

The secretary stated that he had written to the owner of Braecock, but had not received a reply.

## **APPROVAL OF THE PRESS RELEASE.**

The draft press release had earlier been circulated to the few committee members, present at the previous meeting. The chairman, having read the draft felt that it was somewhat premature to release the document prior to the Scottish Government having received the TLC application for the variation of the PO. A lengthy discussion followed and the consensus of opinion was that with the current situation involving the Scottish Government Rural Affairs Department, and the progress the TLC were making with them it would be counter productive to publish this document at this early stage. It was agreed that the draft press release be held back meantime.

## **CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT APPLICATION TO THE SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT.**

The secretary apprised the committee of how he had gone about preparing the draft. Firstly the Scottish Government felt that the application should be made by a riparian owner or angling club. The secretary attempted to explain in his report that the TLC were the appointed representatives of both the riparian owners and the angling clubs, as per the submission by Mark James PhD in his report of 1998. He then went on to list the 10 beats (subject to alteration in the final total) that had failed to comply with the requirements of the Order. He then in turn explained each beat, why it was listed and how each could be rectified or otherwise.

Following this the chairman stated that he was satisfied with the drafts preparation and content at this stage, and was supported by the other committee members then present. The final submission was left to the secretary and the recorder to prepare, and submit in draft form to Louise Donnelly at the Rural Affairs Department at the Scottish Government. The secretary and the recorder both stated that they had found the department to be very supportive and helpful in their dealings with them, and had established a good rapport with them. The chairman thanked them, both for their effort and good work.

## **SECRETARY'S UPDATE.**

The secretary raised the matter of an email he had received from A Clark regarding Delvine fishing. A Clark had been attempting to get a permit to fish this stretch of water in his capacity as a monitor. The secretary had no Updated Lease form from Delvine and was somewhat unsure as whether it was Dunkeld or Stanley Angling Clubs who had the fishing. The secretary recalled a conversation at one meeting with M Brooks of DBAA regarding Mr Gemmell, the owner of Delvine fishing, and felt it may well be DBAA. It was agreed that the secretary should enquire further into this matter.

The secretary also stated that he had attended a meeting of the Upper Tay Riparian Owners Association, when the rafting problems on the upper stretches of the Tay had been discussed. From this meeting the UTROA are to seek more legal advise on the

matter and continue to press for three consecutive raft free days. per week on the river.

#### **TREASURER'S UPDATE**

The treasurer stated there were no bills to be paid and we still have a healthy balance.

#### **WEB SITE UPDATE**

A Stewart stated that he hoped to have the maps up soon.

#### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS.**

D Twigg stated that he had emailed the Health and Sport. Com on young people rafting the wilderness, and thought they might help with the rafting problems. He stated that he had emailed the Rural Affairs Department about the rafting problem. He further stated that he had done this as an individual. The secretary stated that as it was the Scottish Government who had legislated for the Land Reform Act 2003, they were hardly likely to disagree with their own legislation.

There being no other business the meeting was closed.

**The next committee meeting will be held in the Royal Dunkeld Hotel on Tuesday 8 June 2010 at 7.30 p.m.**